

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

BRIAN JONES

SERIAL NO.: 10/051,242

FILED: JANUARY 18, 2002

TITLE: LOW WEIGHT HIGH )

PERFORMANCE COMPOSITE )

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EXAMINER:

# <u>DECLARATION OF LILIANA CANCINO IN SUPPORT OF</u> REQUEST TO REVIVE AN ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

COMES NOW, LILIANA CANCINO, and states and declares as follows:

I am the Office Administrator in the office of Robert J. Schaap, A Law Corporation, and have been for many years.

As part of my duties, on a daily basis, I walk to the mail room of the office building in which we are located, since all mail is delivered to that mail room. Mail is placed in a separate compartment allocated for this office, and I will pick up the mail

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in that compartment and deliver same to this office. When the mail is received, I docket the mail and docket any matters requiring response, and give a copy of that document to the secretary of Mr. Schaap, namely, Sarah Mitchell. She similarly makes an entry in her docket book. We also initial each Office Action which is received, and which identifies the date in which a response is due and is initialed by both Mr. Schaap's secretary and myself.

I do know that we have never received a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, dated July 21, 2002, or the Notice of Abandonment. Otherwise, I would have brought the matter to Mr. Schaap's attention. I know that he would have immediately taken some action. I am also aware that this application is very important to the client.

When an Office Action or other document requiring response is received, I immediately docket that Office Action and provide the same to Mr. Schaap's secretary, who also dockets the Office Action in a separate docket book. The enclosed sheets are docket sheets from our docket books for April and May of 2002.

I have also personally examined the file of this application, and I have examined the other files of Kaiser Compositek, the assignee of this application. We have found no Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and

belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the Unites States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

Dated:  $800^{\circ}$ , 2003

Respectfully submitted,

LILIANA CANCING

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Date of Signature: 8-27, 2003 (Signature)

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DECLARATION OF ROBERT J. SCHAAP IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST TO REVIVE AN ABANDONED APPLICATION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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**EXAMINER:** 

COMES NOW, ROBERT J. SCHAAP, and states and declares as follows:

That I have personally made an examination of the file of this application, and I have examined other files in this office relating to Kaiser Compositek, the assignee of this present application. We have not found any Notice to File Corrected Application Papers. We have also not found any communication relating to the merits of the application and which was dated February 21, 2002. In addition, and although we understand the application has become abandoned, we have never even received any Notice of Abandonment for this application.

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Upon learning of the fact that there was no action in this application, I immediately requested Ms. Liliana Cancino of this office to contact the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to determine the status of this application. When I learned that the application had become abandoned, I immediately undertook those steps necessary to revive the application.

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I am aware that this is an important application to the client and that the client would not have knowingly or intentionally abandoned this application.

Upon learning that the application had become abandoned, I immediately contacted the client and informed him of the situation and the client instructed me to take those actions necessary to retain this application.

If we had received the Notice to File Corrected Papers, we would have immediately responded to that notice since we had formal drawings in our file. It would have been a very simple matter to immediately respond to the Notice to File Corrected Papers by sending copies of these formal drawings. The formal drawings were not available when the application was filed and, therefore, informal drawings were filed. However, as of the date of the Notice, we did have copies of the formal drawings.

I am convinced that the Notice to File Corrected Papers was not received in this office and, for that matter, I am convinced that the Notice of Abandonment was not received in this office.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the Unites States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231 on 20231, 2003.

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